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SUB: POSSIBLE OIL REFINERY IN SENEGAL

FOR DEP ASST SEC SMITH, AF

REF: DKAR 0934, 0933

1. PRIME MINISTER DIOUF HAS JUST CALLED ME TO ASK IF I HAD RECEIVED ANY REACTIONS TO MY REPORTING OF GOS PLANS FOR OIL REFINERY AND PETITION FOR USG ESTABLISHMENT OF IMPORT QUOTA FOR PROSPECTIVE SENEGALESE REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS. SAYING HE KNEW GOLAN HAD MADE REQUEST TO US, HE WONDERED ALSO IF YOU HAD HAD OPPORTUNITY MEET AND / OR DISCUSS WITH SOL LINOWITZ ASPECTS OF PROPOSAL WHICH WILL BE RAISED DURING MEETING BETWEEN SENGHOR, LINOWITZ, MORSE AND MERIDOR ON MARCH 29 IN ROME. OBSERVING THAT HE WAS NOT SURE WHEN LINOWITZ MIGHT BE LEAVING FOR ROME, HE WAS NOT SURE WHEN LINOWITZ MIGHT BE LEAVING FOR ROME, HE VERY MUCH HOPED THAT YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO "ENCOURAGE" LINOWITZ.
2. I TOLD PRIMIN THAT I HAD NOT YET HAD REACTION FROM WASHINGTON, BUT ACTUALLY HAD NOT PARTICULARLY EXPECTED IMMEDIATE RESPONSE SINCE WE WERE ESSENTIALLY REPORTING OUTLINES OF PLANS AND PROGRESSIVE STEPS TOWARD IMPLEMENTATION. I SPECULATED THAT AMONG OTHER THINGS DEPTS STATE AND COMMERCE MIGHT WELL BE AWAITING
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RESULTS ROME MEETING AND PERHAPS EVEN FURTHER EVIDENCE OF ASSURED SUPPLY OF CRUDE OIL FROM NIGERIA AND IRAN. ACKNOWLEDGING THAT I HAD PASSED ALONG IN SEPARATE MESSAGE REQUEST FOR YOU TO CONTACT LINOWITZ, I OBSERVED THAT YOU HAD ONLY RECENTLY RETURNED FROM TRAVELS AND WAS NOT SURE THAT YOU HAD BEEN ABLE TO ARRANGE MEETING. HOWEVER, I PROMISED TO ENQUIRE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED. WOULD BE DEEPLY GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD TALK TO LINOWITZ, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, ALONG LINES MY 0934. PRIMIN WOULD BE MOST APPRECIATIVE ANY EVIDENCE OF OUR WILLINGNESS PROVIDE AT LEAST THIS MUCH IMPARTIAL ASSISTANCE, AND FURTHER PLEASED IF WE COULD PASS BACK ANY RELEVANT REACTIONS. CLARK

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